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PUBLIC ROADS AND CONVICT LABOR At a meeting recently held in Norfolk City with a view to stimulating interest in the improvement of the public roads in the vicinity of that city, Lieutenant Shaw, a retired United States naval officer, in an address to the meeting, demonstrated address to the meeting, demonstrated that he has some clearly defined and thousand, meeting a sale it justly de practical ideas in regard to road making, as well as to the means by ployment of convict labor. In our Congress from Virginia for twelve judgment this is finally what the years, and rounding out his forty years people of this State will be forced to the author of this very interesting book, come to. Indeed there seems to be writes with the vividness and charm o

petition with the ordinary laborer of the State. It has been time and three again demonstrated that the average again demonstrated that the average nen and measures covering a period, the laborer will not work on the road at most stirring in the country's history. the price allowed by law. Whereas, by using convict labor for the roads. the gap which cannot be filled by bired labor is supplied, and competition in other fields where the honest laborer gets a fair return for his services is removed. The direct returns from convict labor may not be as great to the State if they are employed.

Mrs. B. B. Cook, aged sixty-seven years, died at her home, near Oak Grove, Westmoreland county. She is survived by her husband, two sons and four ployed as road builders, but indirectly, in the way of increased tax-able values, the return will be four times as great, besides the increased times as great, besides the increased benefits to all the people. Lieutenant Shaw demonstrated, in

Mecklenburg county, N. C., with con-vict labor, using short term prisoners brothers, Edmund Martin, with whom on the roads, and the long term and she lived and Robert Martin, of Caroline dangerous prisoners in quarries getting out and crushing rock, roads of that county were put in excellent repair for \$200 per mile. This is so thurch, officiating Miss Young have pair for \$200 per mile. This is so harch, ridiculously low a price, considering the benefits, that it seems marvelous maiden sisters—Miss Mary and Missian usefulness. that the people will continue to per- Maggie mit the prisoners to be hired out to shoe companies and other business enterprises, where they affect the Richmond People Not Unanimous wages of honest labor in a serious way, while their roads are knee deep in mud, and at some seasons are opinion as to whether the city should

going back in their milk to try this plan.

The Free Lance, Dec. 15, 1904.

Noting enclosed of Dec. 15, 1904, will say: Chicago "successful milkmen" keep up the usual amount of milk by giving the water to the milk instead of to the cows. You might suggest this plan to your "complaining milkmen."

Yours truly, Robt. Maxwell. Suggest something else. The milk-

men know all about giving the water men know all about giving the water pearls, rubies, sapphires, &c. Our scarl to the milk, theoretically and practipulations the year round. Norris cally. Let us have some improvement that will benefit the consumer. It was a unique sight the other day

Spangled Banner stands for liberty and independence, and for that to be sounding in the ears of royalty, in a country where neither liberty nor independence is known or enjoyed, is dependence is known or enjoyed, is indeed strange. But those people are determined, the uprising is genenal, and great reforms must come or a great revolution will follow which will shake the very foundations of fastidious. the Russian Empire.

It is said the inland members of Congress prefer more public buildings throughout the country to a further enlargement of the navy. That sounds very well, but the inland members would better serve and please the people if they would insist upon government help in putting the said to be said the said to be said the sa It is said the inland members of state upon government help in putting can Tobacco Co. the roads of the country in good ondition, and keeping them so.

Senator Stewart is striking for high salaries for the law makers of the country. He has introduced a Davenport Brothers Released-No bill increasing the President's salary to \$100,000 a year, the Vice Presito \$100,000 a year, the Vice President's to \$20,000, the Speaker's to \$20,000 and Senators' and Representatives' to \$10,000. It is stated, however, that there is no chance of the election, were released Monday, in the preliminary hearing at Orange C. H. Meaday, it was found that no evidence could be brought out in the case the bill passing.

It seems the President is not dead in love with the railroad men at this time. Friday President Cassatt, of the Pennsylvania Central, called to see him and it was a long time before he was admitted, and then the interview lasted only one minute. The President must be coming over to

Since the Gulf of Mexico threatens to become a great crude petroleum deposit, the Standard Oil Company deposit, the Standard Oil Company has reduced the price of crude petroleum. It is hoped the Gulf will keep up the agitation.

It is charged that Gov. Odell, of New York, would like to see Senator Depew defeated for the Senate and is manipulating things with that end manipulating things with that end in view. The Senator thinks he has enough members pledged to elect at 4.30 o'clock of heart disease, aged 5.7 him. But uncertain things are very

It is said that one fifth of the stock of the National banks of the country is owned by women, from which it is argued that they are wise in their in-

have said in the coming session tors arrived he was dead.

Mr. Smith was a prominent lawyer

French burglars travel in automoles, and it is claimed that many robbers in America travel in the same manner.

EX-GOV. O'FERRALL'S BOOK.

It is Having a Big Sale

"Forty Years of Active Service," by known press of The Neale Publishing Company, New York and Washington,

From Clerk of Morgan County, Virginia now West Virginia) in 1858, which the work is to be accomplished.
To this latter end he urges the emcCounty, afterwards as Member of no good reason why this means of the style of numerous so called writers,

road building has not been resorted to before.

Road making affords the only possible field of industry which does not bring the convict laborer into competition with the ordinary laborer of petition with the ordinary laborer of the remainder of the book through page. three hundred and tifty-four, is dey to the author's public service, and

DEATHS.

Mrs. Seal, widow of the late Festus Seal, of near Paul's Cross Roads, died of cancer Monday. Mrs. Gus. Courtney, Essex, is a daughter of the deceased.

ers and one sister.

Lieutenant Shaw demonstrated, in the course of his address, that in Friday night and was buried Sunday in

OPPOSES CARNEGIE'S GIFT.

for Library.

The people of Richmond are divided in in mud, and at some seasons are impassable.

One of the most successful milkmen of this country states that in order to keep cows up in winter to their usual amount of milk, it is necessary to give them warm water to drink. It might be well for those who complain that their cows are to the state of the ose who complain that their cows are It is likely that this tax will be imposed

CONGRESSIONAL

The House disapproved the proposi-tion to hold the inaugural ball in the Capitol Building. A storm of protests came from both sides of the chamber. The resolution was voted down.

Scarl pins, rose gold, green and roma: gold, artistic designs, set with diamonds

Claim Against State of Virginia. Attorney General Anderson is in Wash in the city of St. Petersburg to see a large procession marching the streets with the bands playing "The Star Spangled Banner Forever." The Star under contract with the State, collected to the street of the state for \$172,358 with a year interest. The claim is that the decedents, under contract with the State, collected

Growersto Reduce Tobacco Acresge. The executive committee of the Inter-tate Tobacco Growers' Protective

Evidence Against Them.

The Davenport brothers, who were at that would convict.

Goode is Respited.

LLOYD T. SMITH DEAD. Died Suddenly of Heart Disease at

His Home at Heathsville.

For several years Mr. Smith had been go he went to Germany he ping to im prove his condition, and it was thought that his health had been restored. For the past three weeks he had been confined to the house. Tuesday he seemed better and walked to Heathsville, a distance of argued that they are wise in their investments.

Senator Foraker says nothing will be done this session of Congress about reduction of the tariff. And he might

> and had enjoyed a lucrative practice. For 18 years he was Commonwealth's Attorney of Northumberland county, but was defeated at the last election, and for the past 14 years had been chair man of the D-mocratic executive com-mistee of the First Congressional district. initee of the First Congressional district.
> He is survived by a widow, one son and
> our daughters. Two of the daughters
> were on board a Weems Line steamer
> from Washington on their way hime to
> pend their Christmas holidays when
> heir father expired. They attend school
> on Georgetown. Mr. Smith was a Dem crat and had taken a part in many po itical gatherings. At one time he was a candidate for the Democratic nomina ion for Attorney-General.

> > VIRGINIA NEWS.

Sylvanus Davis was fined \$20 and osts in Essex Court, this week for the licit anle of liquor.

The "Grade Farm" near Marshall auquier county has been sold to Mr. J. Clothier, of Marshall, for \$7,740.

Dr. Thomas Nelson Page announces that he will give up, temporarily his literary work and devote his attention o the cause of education in the South. Gov. Montague has designated Judge t. M. Aiken, of Danville to preside at the Irlal in Roanoke January 16 of Charles R. Fishburne, charged with the murder

In order to secure a uniform freight classification, the State corporation commission has requested the representa-tives of all Virginia railroads to appear efore it in Richmond January 17.

Wm. Beavers. of Markham, Fauquier Wm. Beavers, of Markham, ranquier county, was struck on the head by a callroad tie while loading a barge is tlexandria. He was in the hold of the ressel when the tackling around a bun-ile of ties loosened, precipitating them brough the hatchway.

On a crowded car in Newport New On a crowded car in Newport New Chomas Benton was shot by an un-summan negro. Benton had brushed sgainst the negro. A row followed The negro went to the rear platform and fired at Benton, the bullet entering hi-preast. The negro disappeared in as

Because he exhibited a \$50 note, Hum-phrey Glaze was later robbed and pain ully wounded. Glaze stopped in a sa-oon for a chat. Some one said he had lever seen a \$50 note. "Here's one," ever seen a \$50 note. aid Glaze, pulling a bill from his pocket. He started for home shortly after in he dark, but was later found senseles n the road, his watch and money gone

BRITT THE WINNER OVER NEL-SON

Californian Gets Decision at End of Twenty Terrific Rounds.

At the end of the twentieth round At the end of the twentieth round, immy Britt, of San Francisco, and Battling" Nelson, of Chicago, flighting like a pair of buildogs, the gong sounder the end of the contest at San Francisco Tuesday night and Refere Roche placed its hand on the Californian as the win are of the contest. In the closing round er of the contest. In the closing round Britt was punching the Chicago boy all over the ring, but his blows lacked suf-sicient force to put a quietus on his op-

SENTIMENT FORIJAMESTOWN.

After the Recess. There is a strong sentiment in th There is a strong sentiment in the House in favor of an appropriate celebration of the anniversary of the first. English settlement in America at Jamestown, and the word has been passed around that whatever measure may be submitted by the committee having the matter in charge will be supported. No action will be taken, however, until after he Christmas recess.

SHE WILL NOT MARRY HIM.

After 15 Years of Letters and 3,000 Mile Trip Montana Man Fails.

Joseph F. Bean, the 60-year-old res Joseph F. Bean, the 60-year-old resident of Dupuyer, Mont., who went to Richmond to induce a lady with whom he had, been corresponding 15 years to marry him, has been unable to persuade her to be his wife, and he will return to his home, 3,000 miles away. He says he has not abandoned hope.

Charged With Raising Deposit Slip From \$10 to \$500.

S. Delancey Hicks was arrested in Dr. S. Delancey Hicks was arrested in Norfolk Tuesday for the Newport News authorities, charged with raising a deposit slip of the City Bank therefrom \$10 Xmas Suit and Cloak Bargai to \$500. According to the statement of the officials, Hicks carried an account in the bank and finally withdrew all but 50 cents. He then deposited \$10, and with the deposited in his possession went to Washington, where, through the Traders National Bank, he is alleged to have attached to a sight draft deposit slip for \$500.

Hicks denies the charge, and maintains that he had deposited \$500 in the bank and talks about suing to recover the

Saved By Her Heroic Friends. Vincennes, Ind., Dec. 21.-The hero ism of 23 women of Vincennes Univer of Miss Katherine Organ. Following a surgical operation, Miss Organ suffered greatly from the loss of blood. The Norris, the jeweler, is justly proud of his solid silver and toilet ware. He makes a specialty of small wares in sterling silver for all sorts of presentation noveltles at small prices.

Zecatly from the loss of blood. The physicians, realizing the gravity of the patient's condition, informed her friends. Twenty-three young women toon noveltles at small prices.

> President of Southern Baptist Convention Dead.

Former Governor James P. Eagle, of Arkansas, died Toesday at Little Rock. He had been president of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention twenty-one years. At the last meeting be declined re-election. He was president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

A Hotel for a Gift. der of Inspecter Shinberger, in Richmond, for fifteen days, so the Supreme Court can act upon the petition for a writ of error. The respite runs to January 6th The largest assortment of watches to select from ever shown in Fredericksburg at Norris', the jeweier and optician.

Smallpox in Northumberland.

A Motel for a Gitt.

A substantial Christmas present will be made at Ashland Saturday, when Mrs. I. N. Vaughan will turn over to ber son, Frank Vaughan, a deed to the Henry Clay Inn. Mr. Vaughan will be acting proprietor of this hotel for six months, and has made a success of the second control of the substantial Christmas present will a substantial Christmas present will be a substantial Christmas presen

Miss Sadie Winstead, daughter of George Winstead, of Village, Northumber land county, has a well developed case of small-pox in mild form. A strict quarantine has been established.

We are always pleased to show our wares. Norris, the jeweler, marks his goods with a moderate profit.

Miss Sadie Winstead, daughter of George Winstead, of Village, Northumber land county, has a well developed case of small-pox in mild form. A strict Champion, engaged in the oyster trade in Maryland and Virginia waters, arrested at Onancock, on the charge of crueity to members of his crew, was given a hearing in Norfolk Tuesday and sent on for goods with a moderate profit.

Live Stock Markets.

Union Stock Yards, Pittsburg—Cattle active; choice, \$5.25@5.50; prime, \$4.85@5.10; Hogs lower; prime heavy, to one year for a Christmas present. It would be appropriate and pleasing.

For rings of any style, any shape, quality always the best, go to Norris, the jeweler and optician Engagement and wedding rings a speciality.

Declares He Has Not Been Able to

ruptcy proceedings against her, but again be summoned will depend on up the matter, Should Mrs, Chadwick again be brought into court, it is unlikely that she will give any testi mony. If she does it will be against the advice of her attorney, who refuses even to allow her to be sworn as a Mrs. Chadwick was brought into the

court room by several deputy mar-shals. She took a seat next to the desk of Referee Remington. She was pale, but appeared in somewhat better health than on the day of her arrival from New York last week. There were Mrs. Chadwick's nurse, Freda Swanstrom, and Emil Hoover, her son. When the court was ready to proceed P. Dawley, attorney for Mrs. Chadwick, made the announcement that he would not allow her to be sworn, bu ad decided to have her come to cour hat it could not be said she was chamming illness, although he knew

"I have not been able to carry on a onnected conversation with this won in, owing to her condition," said Mr "I am as much in the dark about her affairs as any one."

Touching on the possibility of con

tempt proceedings growing out of the bankruptcy case, Attorney Dawley

"You can send her back to jail if she is in contempt for not testifying. At aight she can sleep in one cell and stay in another during the day." Mrs. Chadwick became more nerv

us as the attorneys argued and seem ed on the verge of fainting. Soon after the announcement was made that she was excused she returned to the jail in

Two More Banks Close. Conneant, O. Dec. 21,-The First National Bank of Conneaut and the

Marine Bank of Conneaut Harbor dinot open their doors for business. The suspension resulted from runs on both concerns during the past few days Officials claim the concerns are entirely solvent and declare that business wi resumed again in a short time. Cashler Lilley made the following statement on behalf of the First National Bank

"Ever since the exposure of the Chadwick matter our depositors have been withdrawing their funds. We do not hold any Chadwick paper, but there was a general feeling of unres The money has been taken out gradnally, but on Saturday \$50,000 was withdrawn. On Monday practically all the remaining cash on hand was

WORLD'S FAIR STATISTICS Admissions Were 19,694,855, of Which

Over 12,800,000 Paid. St. Louis, Dec. 21.—The official reort of the director of concessions and admissions of the Louisiana Purchas Exposition shows that the total recorded admissions for the period of the exposition from April 30 to December , inclusive, was 19,694,855, of which The free admissions included from 20,000 to 30,000 workmen, who were admitted daily for several weeks to complete the work of construction of buildings and installation of exhibits, in the recorded admissions Sur days are not taken into account, that day having no relationship to the offi-

Tablets to Confederate Dead. Richmond, Va., Dec. 21.-Patriotic adies at Charlottesville and the Uniersity of Virginia are at work to se ure a fund to place in the rotunda of ne university two bronze tablets. ering the names of the 481 alumni the university who lost their lives tablet will be placed on each side of the main entrance to the rotunda. Part | 25 to 26. cured, and the ladies now appeal to

cial admission records of the exposi-

grades, in shell or shucked Country or ders given prompt attention. Price shucked, \$1.20 and \$1.60 per gallon. Oysters in shell, \$3.50 to \$5 per barrel. All orders delivered in depot free. Write me for wholesale prices. J. B. Colbert, predericksburg, Va.

tity of blood was transfused into the circulatory system of Miss Organ, whose life was saved.

Norris, the jeweler and optician, has absolute confidence in the intrinsic value of his goods and his ability to serve your

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The Ideal Store for Christmas Gifts of Intrinsic Meric Was Excused From Testifying in

Bankruptcy Proceedings.

ATTORNEY SAYS SHE' IS ILL

Just a few more days to do your holiday shopping. We'll remain o'en evenings until 10 o'clock, so as to give all an opportunity to visit this store if you are unable to come during the day. This is an ideal Christmas store because the name W. L. BRANNAN has a significance that lends value to a purchase, besides this is a store where economy can be practiced with safe ty, for no matter what you buy here or what you pay for it, you have the knowledge that it is of the very highest standard and the price is the lowest possible to quote and merit at all times your patronage.

Christmas Gift Suggestions.

With Her and is in the Dark About Her Affairs.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 21.—Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick was brought into the bankruptcy court here in the bankruptcy court here in the bankruptcy proceedings against her, but was excused from testifying because of liness. Whether Mrs. Chadwick will igain be summoned will depend on counsel for Receiver Nathan Loeser, whose sitorneys are expected to take up the matter, Should Mrs. Chadwick will be because in the bankruptcy are expected to take up the matter. Should Mrs. Chadwick will igain be summoned will depend on counsel for Receiver Nathan Loeser.

IT PAYS TO BUY THE BEST.

PORT ARTHUR FALLEN? The latest reports from Che Foo say that Port Arthur is doomed. But the reports from

Loewenson & Kaufman.

JEWELERS, FREDERICKSBURG, VA. say that their stock of Watches, Clocks, Diamonds, Jewelry, Silverware, Novelties, for Xmas Gifts, is the largest ever shown in Fredericksburg, and are selling them at Lowest Prices.

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California Perfumery in a pretty box. Perfumery made where the flowers grow. Box of beautiful PAPER and ENVELOPES. We have them, som

CIGARS for the smokers. The Best.

A KODAK would be just the thirg for a present; at JOHNSTON & PEARSON'S

Choice Liquors and Groceries.

I sell the Finest Whiskies, Brandies, Wines, &c. I also sell the best low grades on the market. My prices are the lowest. Groceries of all kinds. Give me a call MRS. J. F. MONROE,

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Wheat, \$1.05 to \$1.15. corn, new, 50 to 55; old, 60; meal, \$1.30 to \$1.40 per 100; eats, 40 to 45; lowis (live), 8 to 9; chickens, live, 8 to 10; ducks, live, 8 to 9; lard, 11 to 12; Spring chickens, 8 to 10 per pound; turkeys, dressed, undrawn, 13 to 15; drawn, 14 to 16; live, 12 to 192 eages 25 to 26 butter, 15 to 25; drawn, 13 to 15; drawn, 14 to 16; live, 12 to 12%; eggs, 25 to 26; butter, 15 to 25; hams, 14 to 17; sweet; potatoes, 50e to 60e; Irish potatoes, 45e to 50e; beef 3 to 3%; pork, 5 to 5%; veal, 4% to 5; lambs, \$2.50 to \$3.50; hides, (green) 5 to 6; hides (dry), 8 to 10; salted hides, 7 to 8; baled hay, \$15 to \$18 per

Leaf Sumac-55 to 60 per 100. Wool-Unwashed, 22 to 23; washed,

GENERAL MARKETS

the main entrance to the rotunda. Part of the necessary money has been secured, and the ladies now appeal to the alumni of the university. Confederate veterans and the public generally to contribute the remainder.

Xmas Suit and Cloak Bargains.

25 per cent, or one-fourth off the pricipal contribute the remainder.

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Xmas Suit and Cloak Bargains.

26 per cent, or one-fourth off the pricipal contribute the suit or a coat. 25 per cent, or one-fourth off the price for this week only. Let them all be well dressed for Nasa.

Every one feels batter in good clothes that come from C. W. Jones.

Solid gold secret lock bracelets, cuff pins, collar pins, pendants, hat pins, etc. The aim of Norris, the j-weier, is to please and satisfy his customers.

Oysters of ysters of Oysters!

I am prepared to furnish oysters of algrades, in shell or shocked country or ders given prompt attention. Price shucked, \$1.20 and \$1.60 per galion. Oysters in shell, \$5.00 to \$5 per harral. All orders delivered in depot free. Writem for wholesale prices. J. R. Cobbert, Fredericksburg, Va.

Whiskies.

Oid Kentucky Taylor, Pointer Maryland Reserve, Hunter, Wilson, Old Barbee and Old Heary are whiskies that have advertised themselves, and we simply take this method of informing the trade that we sell them. We also carry a stock of gins, brandles and wince that are well worth the price. Want your jury filled? Then come and see us. The Heary Danchild.

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ceived our Holiday Catalogue. We pay transportation charges on all merchandise ordered when the bill amounts to more than

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